

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-98 (canceled)

Claim 99 (previously presented): A method for arranging a desired number of activated windows of information for display on a screen connected to a computer, wherein the desired number is the number of activated windows to arrange for display on the screen in a particular format, and wherein the computer activates windows, the method comprising:

choosing the desired number of activated windows to arrange on the screen in the particular format;

identifying activated windows for display, wherein the number of activated windows identified for display equals the desired number of activated windows to be displayed in the particular format, wherein the desired number of activated windows to be displayed is greater than one, and wherein the most recently activated windows are identified for display;

arranging the identified windows on the screen for display in the particular format, wherein the identified windows are visibly arranged; and

wherein each time a new window is activated the steps of identifying and arranging are repeated.

Claim 100 (canceled).

Claim 101 (previously presented): The method of claim 99, wherein the choosing the desired number of activated windows to arrange on the screen comprises choosing a default value.

Claim 102 (previously presented): The method of claim 99, further comprising recognizing one or more activated windows which have not been identified for display and will not be arranged for display on the screen in the particular format.

Claim 103 (original): The method of claim 102, wherein an activated window not identified for display may be represented on the screen with a representative display, the method further comprising representing one or more recognized windows on the screen with a representative display.

Claim 104 (original): The method of claim 103, wherein the representative display is an icon which graphically represents the recognized window and wherein the icon is displayed simultaneously with an identified window.

Claim 105 (original): The method of claim 104, further comprising minimizing the recognized window.

Claim 106 (original): A method for displaying active information windows on a screen, wherein the information windows are generated by a computer and the screen is operably connected to the computer, and wherein the information windows may be displayed in two or more formats, comprising:

- identifying at least one active window, wherein the identified windows will be displayed in a first format on the screen,

- recognizing at least one active window, wherein the recognized windows will be displayed in a second format on the screen, and wherein none of the identified windows are recognized; and

- generating a display on the screen for viewing identified windows and recognized windows, wherein a first format display is generated for each of the identified windows, wherein a second format display is generated for each of the recognized windows, and wherein the second format is different from the first format, comprising

- arranging the first format displays and second format displays for display on the screen, wherein the computer is used in the arranging step; and

- repeating the steps of identifying, recognizing and generating when a new window is activated.

Claim 107 (original): The method of claim 106, wherein the steps occur automatically each time a new window is activated.

Claim 108 (original): The method of claim 106, wherein the second format is graphic icons and the graphic icons are arranged to overlay on the first format display, and wherein the method further comprises arranging the graphic icons, wherein the graphic icons are arranged in an orderly fashion.

Claim 109 (original) The method of claim 106, wherein the first format displays are arranged vertically side-by-side.

Claim 110 (original): The method of claim 106, wherein the first format displays are arranged horizontally.

Claim 111 (original): The method of claim 106, wherein the generating step further comprises minimizing the recognized windows.

Claim 112 (original): The method of claim 106, wherein a database manager is used, and wherein the step of generating further comprises accessing a database of information and using the accessed database information to generate the first format displays.

Claim 113 (previously presented): A database management system using windows of information and auto-arranging of the windows, wherein each time a previously inactive window is activated the system auto arranges the windows for display on a screen, comprising:

- a memory, wherein data for use in generating information windows is stored;

- a processor, operably coupled to the memory, that auto-arranges the windows of information; wherein the windows of information are automatically arranged, the processor comprising:

- means for generating windows of information using data from the memory; and

- means for auto-arranging windows of information into an arranged format, wherein more than one window may be arranged, and wherein each time a previously inactivate window is

activated, all the active windows are arranged so that the arrangement of windows changes each time a previously inactivate window is activated, and wherein the activated window is displayed in a first format; and

a screen, operably coupled to the processor, wherein the screen displays the information windows in an arranged format.

Claim 114 (previously presented): The database management system of claim 113, wherein the means for auto-arranging windows comprises:

means for determining windows to be arranged in the first format and windows to be arranged in a second format, wherein at least one window is determined to be arranged in the first format.

Claim 115 (previously presented): The database management system of claim 114, wherein the windows determined to be arranged in the second format are represented by graphical icons and are displayed in a lower portion of one or more of the first format windows.

Claim 116 (original): The database management system of claim 113, wherein the arranged format is a targeted format chosen by a user of the database management system, further comprising:

means for choosing a target format.

Claim 117 (original): The database management system of claim 116, wherein the user may enter a customized target format, further comprising:

a keyboard, wherein the customized target format may be entered.

Claim 118 (original): The database management system of claim 116, wherein the user may choose from several different formats, the data management system further comprising:
means for displaying a list of formats to be chosen.

Claims 119-138 (canceled).